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SUBJ: BRIEFING THE THAI DAM

1. IN THE EVENT OF A GO-AHEAD FROM WASHINGTON TO HAVE INS INTERVIEW CAT I-A THAI DAM, THE FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS SHOULD BE GIVEN ORALLY AND IN WRITING IN THE APPROPRIATE LANGUAGES TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE THAI DAM CAMP.

- 2. TEXT FOLLOWS: THE U.S. GOVERNMENT IS NOW SCREENING AND SELECTING A VERY LIMITED NUMBER OF CLOSE RELATIVES AMONG THE REFUGEE POPULATION FOR PAROLE INTO THE UNITED STATES TO JOIN THEIR FAMILIES. THE ONLY RELATIVES WHO WILL QUALIFY UNDER THE LIMITED PROGRAM INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING: --PARENTS, GRANDPARENTS, AND HUSBANDS AND WIVES OF U.S. CITIZENS, RESIDENT ALIENS AND REFUGEE WHO ARRIVED IN U.S. PRIOR TO APRIL 15, 1976.
- --THE FOLLOWING RELATIVES IN THAILAND WHO ARE UNMARRIED AND UNDER 21 YEARS OF AGE: CHILDREN, GRANDCHILDREN AND BROTHERS AND SISTERS OF U.S. CITIZENS, PERMANENT RESIDENT ALIENS AND REFUGEES WHO ARRIVED IN U.S. PRIOR TO APRIL 15, 1976. UNFORTUNATELY, MARRIED BROTHERS AND SISTERS AND DISTANT RELATIVES TO INCLUDE COUSINS, AUNTS AND UNCLES OF REFUGEES, PERMANENT RESIDENT ALIENS OR AMERICAN CITIZENS IN THE U.S. CANNOT BE CONSIDERED FOR UNCLASSIFIED

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PAROLE. FOR THIS REASON, ALL REFUGEES WITH RELATIVES

IN THE U.S. WHO DO NOT FALL WITHIN THE ELIGIBLE
CATEGORY DESCRIBED ABOVE SHOULD APPLY FOR RESETTLEMENT IN
THIRD COUNTRIES IF THEY WISH TO INSURE THEIR ULTIMATE RESETTLEMENT OUT OF THAILAND. AFTER THE U.S. IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION SERVICE COMPLETES THIS ROUND OF INTERVIEWS ALL THOSE THAI
DAM WHO WILL BE ELIGIBLE UNDER THIS PROGRAM WILL HAVE BEEN
SELECTED. ANY PERSON OR FAMILY WHO THEREAFTER REJECTS AN OFFER
FROM A THIRD COUNTRY SUCH AS FRANCE WILL BE INELIGIBLE
PER SE FOR THE U.S. PROGRAM BECAUSE THE U.S. PROGRAM
DOES NOT CONSIDER REFUGEES FOR ACCEPTANCE BY THE
UNITED STATES IF THEY HAVE TURNED DOWN RESETTLEMENT
OFFER BY ANOTHER COUNTRY.

3. FOR DEPARTMENT: REQUEST IMMEDIATE DEPARTMENT CONCURRENCE IN INTERVIEWING CAT 1-A THAI DAM AND USING THE ABOVE STATEMENT.
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